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Decrease Aging or Increase Lifespan

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Sir:

This Amendment After Final Rejection is being filed in response to the Office Action made Final mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 28, 2011 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Because this Amendment after Final Rejection (37 C.F.R. § 1.116) is being filed within two months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action, Applicants respectfully request an Advisory Action under MPEP 706.07(f)(I)(C).

Applicants are filing concurrently with the Amendment, a Request for Amendment of Inventorship Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b). With such an amendment, Leonard B. Guarente, Shin-Ichiro Imai and Christopher Armstrong are the joint inventors of the claimed subject matter.

Please amend the application as follows: